

A COPY OF A LETTER YOU WROTE TO MISS INEZ SCHINDLER

The reason I haven't been writing you is because I was waiting for an answer of my last letter which I have just received. I assure you when I went to the Post Office and the postman gave me our letters I was just tickled to death when I read Mr. Michael S. DeBakey. When I came home I read it.

When you said in your letter that you was delighted to know that I hadn't forgotnt my old teacher you put some pep in me.

On the way from U. S. to Syria we saw about 4 continents. From New Orleans we sailed to Cuba which very S.A. From there we sailed to the Canary Islands. From the Canary Islands we sailed to Havre, France, which is in Europe. From Havre to Marsielles, from Marsielles to Alexander, Egypt, which is in Africa. From there we went to Syria, which is in Asia. We went all over the world except we didn't tuch Austrila. I guess you read in the American Press about my trip to Zhyla. We have lots of fun in our automobile. We go riding every day. The country here is very mountainous, so the roads going from different cities have to climb mountains. The water here doesn't need ice because it is all from springs, and ice is very scarce. The ice that they get is from the mountains.. I want you to put these jokes in the paper. When we were in the custom house a man asked us, "Were you in America?" We said, "Yess". He said, "In what part, Brazil or New York?" (S. A. or N. A.). We told him New York. He said, "Did you see my brother in Beonus Tires?" We told him no. That shows of what useis Geography.

I went to a store to buy some grocery. It was a very hot day and I just had my summer clothes on. The owner of the store asked me, "Aren't you cold?" I told him, "No. Don't you see I'm sweating." He said"all the clothes I have on and I'm cold". He had 2 coats, 1 army overcoat, 1 vest, 2 pairs pants, and something like a dress. That is the way most of the people here dress. They wear the same clothes summer and winter.

There was once a man wanted to go to America. He went to Beyrouth where he saw the ocean. He said, "I bet it has 100 gallons of water and more and more!" Ha! Ha!

The country here is growing little by little. Every since I've left the U. S. I haven't seen nothing like the stars and stripes.

The country here is very tirsome for women.